share of Maharashtra worked out to Rs. 131.57 crores. This has been refunded to the State Government on provisional basis subject to final adjustment on the basis of certified figures of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India. Since the refund of net proceeds of excise duty has been made in accordance with the provisions of Union Duties of Excise (Electricity) Distribution Act, 1980 and the Rules made thereunder, it has not been possible to agree to the request of the Chief Minister and reopen the share already paid to the State Government.

Conference of Chief Electoral Officers

*218. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Conference of Chief Electoral Officers of States and Union Territories was recently held to discuss implementation of certain electoral reform measures taken by Government recently; and

(b) if so, what are the main subjects discussed thereat?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The subjects discussed were mainly the revision of electoral rolls in 1989, with special reference to re-numeration of persons in the age group of 18 to 21 years and the preparatory steps to be taken in respect of the general elections due this year.

Import of Pectin

*219. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries from which Pectin has been imported during the last three years; and

(b) the quantity along with the value of such imports, year-wise and country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI DINESH SINGH): (a) and (b) Data on import of pectin Esterases Pure is available upto 1986-87. The names of the countries, quantity and value of pectin Esterases Pure imported during 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 are given below:—

Quantity in Kgs.
Value in Rs. '000'

Sl. No.	Name of the country	1984-85		1985-86		1986-87	
		Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1	Israel . . .	Nil	Nil	1000	59	750	60
2	Switzerland . .	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	250	35

External assistance for executing projects in Uttar Pradesh

*220. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Uttar Pradesh Government had sought any external assistance for implementing development projects in the State; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) what are the projects in Uttar Pradesh being financed with World Bank assistance and what are the new schemes being pursued?

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